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# PROCEEDINGS

Of The

FIRST WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT BAPTIST

ASSOCIATION

IN ITS

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

Together With Its Auxiliaries Held With

John the Baptist Church

Pensacola, Fla., Rev. J. P. Pritchett, Pastor

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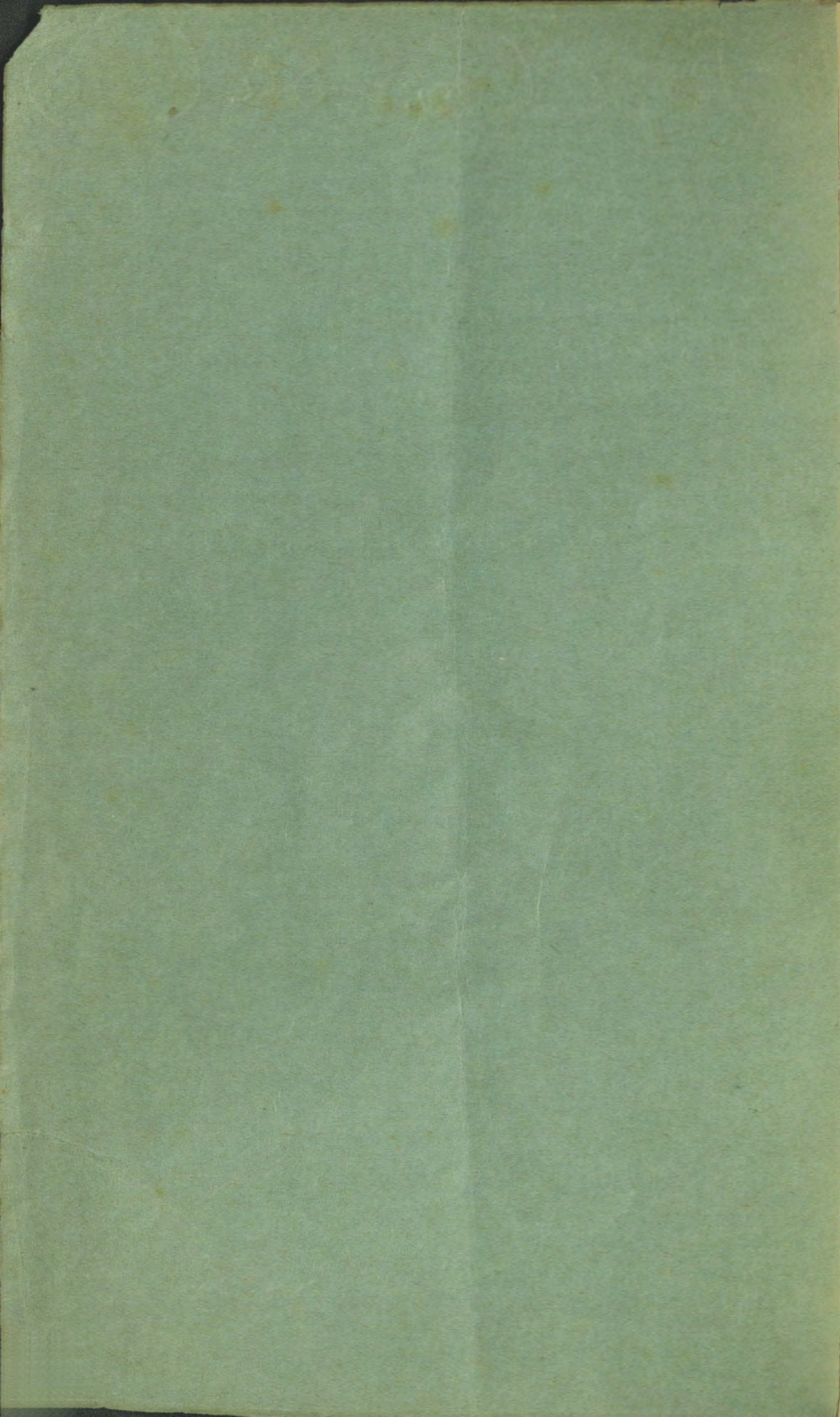
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Pensacola, Fla., June 11., 1937

Friday 10:00 A. M.

The First West Florida District Baptist Association convened in its Sixty-sixth Annual Session with the John the Baptist church, Pensacola, Florida, Rev. J. P. Prichett, pastor. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. M. S. Young. The devotions were conducted by messengers from St. James, Olive, and Emanuel, Pensacola. After which the meeting was turned back in the hands of the Moderator. The 23rd Psalms was repeated in concert, followed with one minute silent prayer.

The congregation then joined in singing, Am. I. a Soldier of the Cross which was sung with the spirit. The Secretary then read the program of which the Association was to be governed by. On motion the program was adopted with necessary changes.

First change—That provision be made in the program for a local program of welcome from the John the Baptist church. Second—That the education offering be taken before the sermon; 3rd: That Rev. Ellerby would preach the Introductory Sermon at the concert of Rev. Leggett.

A committee on enrollment was appointed; then a short intermission, after which committee on enrollment made a partial report, reporting 87 delegates had enrolled. On motion, report was accepted. Rev. H. Joseph then ascended the rostrum and due to lateness of the hour, declined to discuss the subject that was assigned him.

Rev. Ellerby accompanied by Rev. Baker ascended the rostrum. Rev. Baker read the 18th chapter of Matthew for scripture lesson, followed with singing, A Charge to Keep I have. Prayer by Rev. J. S. Johnson. Rev. Baker then in a few words presented Rev. Ellerby as the speaker of the hour. Rev. Ellerby rose and thanked the Association for the honor bestowed on him to deliver the Introductory Sermon. He announced his text from the 24th



chapter of St. Luke and the 42nd verse—And they gave him a piece of broiled fish and of an honeycomb. Subject: Tarry for Fitness. Rev. Ellerby was brief in his discussion but made a great impression. The finance committee then came forward and lifted the offering, which was \$2.65. Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev.. Baker

Friday 2:30 P. M.

Called to order by the Moderator. Devotions conducted by messengers from Union, Oakfield and Union, Molino and First Baptist, New Warrington. After which the meeting was turned back into the hands of the Moderator. The first division of Psalms was repeated in concert, then a short song service was conducted by the Music Director. Rev D. W. Webb then ascended the rostrum to discuss—He is wonderful in his Career. Rev. Webb declined and asked that Rev. Hawthorne would discuss the subject in his stead. Rev. Hawthorne kindly consented. Rev. Hawthorne made a brief discussion and left a very favorable impression

After brief comments next claimed attention was report of officers. The Moderator then turned the meeting into the hands of the President of the Sunday School Convention, Rev. J. A. Clausell. The following officers made their report:

The Corresponding Secretary—after hearing report, on motion same was adopted. The District Missionary then began reading his report and said report was held up for the time being. The matter pertaining to the change of title of the Moderator on the program which was discussed at length in the morning session. It was moved and seconded that the name of Rev. M. S. Young as Moderator of the First West Florida District Baptist Association, be struck out of the minutes of this session; that the name of the former Moderator be inserted instead. A substitute motion was offered that the name of Rev. M. S. Young would re-

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main as Moderator on the program and go down in the minutes of this session. Substitute carried. The District Missionary then proceeded with his report. On motion same was adopted.

The Secretary and Treasurer then rendered their reports; same was held on the grounds that there was \$50.00 of State Convention money involved by the former Moderator. After a lengthy discussion on the matter, it was moved and seconded that the matter be referred to a committee. A substitute motion was offered that the former moderator be granted the honor of reporting to the Association as Moderator. Substitute lost.

It was then moved and seconded that Secretary and Treasurer report be adopted. Motion carried. Rev. Clausell then presented the Moderator Rev. M. S. Young to deliver his annual address. Rev. Young then rose and delivered his address in pamphlet form. His address was a masterpiece, full of religious instruction. After comments the address was adopted and recommendations turned over to a committee on recommendations. Next claimed attention was election of officers. After a brief preface it was moved and seconded that the rules be waived and Rev. M. S. Young be elected Moderator by acclamation. A substitute motion was offered that all officers be elected by nomination. Substitute carried. Substitute to the whole that the election of officers be deferred to Saturday morning. Substitute carried.

Friday 8:00 P. M.

Called to order by the Moderator. Short song service was conducted by the Music Director. After which a short but inspiring program was rendered by the John the Baptist church. Deacon Cotton extended words of welcome which were responded to by Mrs. K. R. Jackson. Rev. G. W. Lovett then ascended the rostrum accompanied by Rev. J. S. Johnson. Rev. Johnson read for scripture



lesson the first chapter of St. John; then sang—I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say, which was sung with the spirit. Followed with prayer by Rev. Johnson.

Rev. Johnson in very fitting words presented Rev. Lovett to preach the Educational sermon. Rev. Lovett rose in a very pleasing manner and announced his text from the 11th chapter of Matthew and the 29th verse. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your soul. Rev. Lovett was very brief in his discourse and very forceful; he laid much stress on learning more about Jesus Christ.

After brief comments Rev. Clausell came forward and made the appeal for education which amounted to \$17.00. After announcements by the Pastor, meeting adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Lovett.

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### Saturday, June 12

Called to order by Vice Moderator, Rev. E. V. Wilson. Devotions conducted by messengers from Sixth Avenue, Pensacola and Pine Level, McDavid. After which the meeting was turned back into the hands of the Moderator. The Music Director then directed a short song service. After which the Moderator called for the reading of Friday's journal. Same was read and adopted with the following corrections, that a motion be inserted in the minutes from Friday's journal pertaining to the Introductory **sermon**. Next claimed attention was the report of Trustees. The report of the Trustees was read and on motion same was adopted, with the following Trustees elected: Rev. D. W. Webb, Rev. J. O. Dixon and Sister Addie Brent.

Next claimed attention was the election of officers of the Association. A motion prevailed that the election of officers be deferred until all delegates are present. Rev. J. W. Williams accompanied by Rev. S. B. Brown ascended the rostrum. Rev. Brown read for scripture lesson the

first chapter of John, then sang, Lift Him Up, followed with prayer by Rev. Brown. The congregation then joined in singing, Lift Me Up and let Me Stand. Rev. Brown then in fitting words presented Rev. Williams to deliver the Doctrinal sermon. Rev. Williams rose and expressed his appreciation to the committee for the honor conferred on him to preach such an important sermon. Rev. Williams announced his text—Nicodemus confesses Christ to be a Teacher from God. Rev. Williams was short in his discourse but the message was very forceful. He dwelt largely on the teaching of Jesus Christ. The congregation then joined in singing, Twill be Glory, which was sung with the spirit, followed with a soul stirring prayer by Rev. C. W. Herndon. The congregation then joined in singing, Precious Lord, Take my Hand and Lead Me on.

After brief comments the meeting was back into the hands of the Moderator. Rev. S. A. Miles then addressed the chair and made some very interesting remarks pertaining to our district work. Rev. J. A. Clausell then came forward and lifted an educational offering. Collection \$2.50. The Association turned its attention to the election of officers. A motion prevailed that Rev. Raulston would preside during said election. Rev. Raulston declined and asked that Rev. W. M. Counts, ex-Moderator of the Progressive Association preside. By common consent Rev. Counts presided and the following officers were elected:

- Rev. M. S. Young, Moderator
- Rev. J. O. Dixon, First Vice-Moderator
- Rev. E. V. Wilson, Second Vice-Moderator
- Dea. S. E. Johnson, Recording Secretary
- Mrs. Ethel Rivers, Corresponding Secretary
- Mrs. Addie Brent, Treasurer
- Mrs. F. D. Young, Organist
- Prof. M. N. M. Bennett, Music Director
- Rev. C. H. Baker, District Missionary



Rev. J. W. Jackson, Statistician

Miss B. L. Hicks, Reporter

after which the meeting was turned back into the hands of the Moderator. A standing vote of thanks was extended Rev. Counts for the way and manner in which he presided during the election. An offering of \$1.20 followed. A motion prevailed the the \$1.20 be supplemented to \$3.00. It was moved and seconded that all accusation that has been made or slander concerning this Association, be branded as false. Motion carried.

3:00 P. M.

Called to order by Moderator, Rev. M. S. Young. A short song service was conducted by the organist, followed with repeating the 23rd Psalm.. Prayer by Deacon Smith. The Moderator then appointed the committee on disbursement. After which the following auxiliaries made their report.

The W. D. Convention reported, reporting for education \$37.00. The S. S. Convention reported, reporting for education \$87.75. On motion said reports accepted with a rising vote of thanks. Committee on new bodies made their report, reporting one new body, namely, Spring Hill Baptist church, McKinnonville, Fla. On motion report was adopted and said church enrolled.

The Moderator then called for the reading of letters. The committee on letter reading proceeded to read. After which the subject—the Wonderful Christ—the wonderful place He occupies in heaven by Rev. Clausell, was deferred to Sunday evening. The finance committee then made a partial report, reporting \$367.19 and \$87.75 from the S. S. Convention. The Moderator then led in singing, Gods Word shall never pass away. After which Mrs. M. J. Acklin was presented to discuss the subject—The need of a Religious Education. Mrs. Acklin read and discussed a beautiful paper on the subject, which was in-

spiring and full of information. After brief comments, a motion prevailed that synopsis of said paper appear in the minutes.

Mrs. M. Burnett, a representative of the Widows and Orphans Home came forward and made an appeal for aid. An offering was taken, amount raised \$1.50, same being turned over to Sister Burnett. A motion then prevailed that since Rev. J. O. Dixon was an officer of the Association, that Rev. Pritchett would install the newly elected officers. Adjournment; benediction by the Moderator.

#### Sunday 9:30 A. M.

Sunday School mass meeting conducted by the Superintendent.

#### Sunday 11:00 A. M.

Morning service. Devotion conducted by Rev. J. P. Pritchett, pastor. Open with a selection by the choir. Followed with prayer by Vice Moderator E. V. Wilson. Rev. Hawthorn then read for scripture lesson the 3rd chapter of John, 1st 15 verses. Rev. Pritchett then lined No. 161 hymn, which was sung with the spirit. Poor saints offering was taken. After a selection by the choir, Rev. Pritchett then in fitting words presented the Moderator M. S. Young to preach the closing sermon of the Association. Rev. Young rose in his usual manner, and announced his text from the 3rd chapter of John and 6th verse. "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; that which is born of the spirit is spirit." Subject, Regeneration. Rev. Young then stressed regeneration. He was practical in his discourse, and it was food for thought. He closed with singing—"Twill be Glory." This was sung with the spirit, followed with opening the doors of the church, by the pastor. Announces of the church were made by the clerk, Dea. R. P. F. Ellis. The pastor then proceeded with his regular order of service. An offering for the Association was tak-



en, amount \$2.65. Benediction by the pastor.

3:00 P. M.

Called to order by the Moderator. Song service conducted by Music Director, followed with two-minute Bible quotations. Song service continued, after which the meeting was turned back to the Moderator. The Moderator had the congregation to stand and repeat the 23rd Psalms and then the Lord's prayer. The meeting was then turned to the Music Director. Before he proceeded with the program, the committee on time and place, was asked to make their report, reporting place for next session, Union, Molino. On motion said report was adopted.

The Music Director then began the program, which was very interesting and inspiring. Bro. Marvray sang a beautiful solo, followed by a reading by Miss Benson, granddaughter of Bro. J. C. Young, who organized the first choir in the city. This was indeed, a high tribute to Bro. Young.

The meeting was then back into the hands of the Moderator. The finance committee came forward and made their appeal. There was a rivalry between the men and the women. The men raised \$6.41 and the women \$6.21, total of \$12.62. An offering was then taken for Revs. White and Hawthorn. Amount raised \$4.10. The B. Y. P. U. then reported the sum of \$10.00 for education. The disbursement committee then made their report. On motion same was adopted.

Memorial period was conducted which was very solemn. Singing and shaking parting hands. Closing prayer by the Moderator. Resolution of thanks was offered by the Corresponding Secretary.

REV. M. S. YOUNG, Moderator

S. E. JOHNSON, Secretary

The Association adjourned to meet with Union Baptist Church, Molino, Fla. in 1938.

## ENROLLMENT JUNE 1937

Mrs. Ethel Rivers	\$1.00	Rev. J. O. Dixon	1.00
Rev. A. D. Darden	1.00	Mrs. C. F. Dixon	1.00
Rev. J. A. Clausell	1.00	W. H. Godwin	1.00
Mrs. Virginia Prather	1.00	John Smith	1.00
Mrs. K. R. Jackson	1.00	Mrs. Ida Marvin	1.00
Mrs. J. M. Simmons	1.00	Tom Frazier	1.00
Mrs. S. J. Baker	1.00	Mrs. Alberta Frazier	1.00
Mrs. Katie E. Sunday	1.00	Rev. L. Hawthorne	1.00
Mrs. Narcissus Davis	1.00	Mrs. Carrie Cary	1.00
Rev. C. A. White	1.00	Mrs. Lelia Lyns	1.00
Charles Taylor	1.00	Rev. M. S. Young	1.00
Rev. A. P. Lee	1.00	Mrs. R. B. Young	1.00
Mrs. Addie Brent	1.00	H. H. Hodrick	1.00
Rev. G. W. Lovett	1.00	R. W. Williams	1.00
Mrs. C. White	1.00	F. L. Cotton	1.00
Mrs. Jessie West	1.00	R. P. F. Ellis	1.00
Rev. J. S. Johnson	1.00	Rev. S. B. Brown	1.00
Mrs. Beatrice Johnson	1.00	R. Straughn	1.00
Prof. M. N. M. Bennett	1.00	Mrs. M. J. Flowers	1.00
S. E. Johnson	1.00	Mrs. M. I. Smith	1.00
J. S. Williams	1.00	Mrs. Katie Williams	1.00
E. B. Farrow	1.00	Mrs. L. M. Donald	1.00
Mrs. E. R. Waters	1.00	Rev. H. Joseph	1.00
Mrs. J. M. Sanderson	1.00	L. N. Sapp	1.00
Mrs. A. B. Massenberg	1.00	Rev. D. W. Webb	1.00
Mrs. M. J. Acklin	1.00	W. L. Simpson	1.00
Mrs. S. V. McNeal	1.00	Mrs. Emma Harris	1.00
Rev. R. E. Cotton	1.00	Rev. J. S. Harris	1.00
Rev. F. A. Ellerby	1.00	Rev. J. W. McCant	1.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Benson	1.00	Rev. S. Carter	1.00
M. V. Campbell	1.00	Rev. C. A. Raulston	1.00
Mrs. Ella McDaniels	1.00	Mrs. J. W. Salter	1.00
Rev. J. W. Williams	1.00	W. M. Washam	1.00
Z. A. Armstrong	1.00	R. P. Pogue	1.00
Mrs. Sarah Armstrong	1.00	Rev. C. A. White	1.00
Rev. E. H. Richard	1.00	Rev. W. M. Young	1.00
Rev. J. W. Jackson	1.00	Rev. J. C. Baker	1.00
Mrs. F. D. Young	1.00	Mrs. Celia Walker	1.00
Mrs. M. M. Blake	1.00	Mrs. Marie Young	1.00
Rev. S. A. Miles	1.00	Rev. E. V. Wilson	1.00
Rev. J. W. Williams	1.00	Rev. A. Darden	3.00



James Pritchett	1.00	S. M. Reeves	1.00
Eddie Green	1.00	Mrs. Sallie M. Rose	1.00
Rev. S. L. Leggett	1.00	Mrs. Lucile Ralph	1.00
Rev. E. Junior	1.00	J. S. Williams	1.00
Mrs. E. L. Perdue	1.00	Mrs. M. B. Carter	1.00
Total -----		\$94.00	

### Missionary's Report Of The First West Florida District Baptist Association

Trinity Baptist church, City, Rev. D. W. Webb, pastor—  
1 visit, collection 70c

Antioch Baptist church, City, Rev. J. W. Williams, pas-  
tor—1 visit, collection 65c.

White Lily, Barth, Rev. M. S. Young, pastor—1 visit,  
collection \$1.00

St. John Divine, City, Rev. F. A. Ellerby, pastor—1 visit,  
collection \$1.50

Mt. Pilgrim, Milton, Florida, Rev. Richards, pastor—  
1 visit, collection \$1.25

St. James, Olive, Fla., Rev. W. M. Young, pastor—1 vis-  
it, \$1.00 collection.

Mt. Bethel, Bagdad, Fla., Rev. M. S. Young, pastor—  
1 visit, collection \$1.25

Sunlight Baptist church, City, Rev. E. Junior, pastor—  
1 visit, collection 76c.

Sixth Avenue Baptist church, City, Rev. C. A. Rauls-  
ton, pastor—visit 1, collection \$1.56

St. Matthew, Quintette, Rev. E. V. Wilson, pastor—1  
visit, collection \$1.00

Total money raised \$10.67; miles traveled 110.

H. Joseph, District Missionary

### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

We, your Committee on Education beg to submit this

our report. Since Education in its correct sense is an indispensable need of all people, and there can be no development in true civilization and Christianity without it. We as a race should make it our chief concern and endeavor, remembering that education is a power. To be powerful we must be educated people in all true principles of learning and training.

Educated people are naturally thinking people. They are capable of thinking for themselves in the world of thought. The greatest thought a man has is the thought of God, and a correct thought of Him leading us to know our duty and true relation to Him. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." No man is greater than his thoughts. To be educated in the fullest sense, the head, heart and hand must be trained. If either of these is left off or out, one-third of the education is missing. So therefore, let us encourage, build and support those institutions that train the head and hand to meet the needs and requirements of life while on this earth. May the Lord hasten the time and day when our old Baptist Academy doors will be thrown open with a large placard announcing, **Ready for Business.**

Respectfully submitted,

Revs. G. W. Lovett, A. P. Lee, T. J. Hayle, L. Hawthorne, Sisters V. Prather, Lucile Ralph, C. White, Lillie Donald, secretary of committee; Rev. John W. Jackson, chairman.

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### RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Whereas, we have witnessed the Sixty-sixth Annual Session pass into history and whereas as we have never witnessed any finer arrangements made in any part of the District for its enjoyment, Be it resolved that as members of the First West Florida Missionary Baptist District As-



sociation, tender a rising vote of thanks to the entire membership of the John the Baptist Missionary Church, for their unique manner in which they entertained the Association. Be it further, resolved that the good Pastor, Rev. Pritchett with his members added, have a place in our hearts and that we ever shall remember them in our prayers for their hospitable way in which they entertained the Association.

Respectfully,  
REV. JOHN W. JACKSON  
DEA. S. E. JOHNSON

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### Receipts

Through letters -----	\$199.00
Enrollment -----	93.00
Public collection -----	17.82
After collection -----	7.11
S. S. Convention -----	87.75
W. D. Convention -----	37.00
B. Y. P. U. Convention -----	10.40
Total -----	<u>\$472.08</u>
Brought Forward	101.41
Grand total	<u>\$573.49</u>

#### Disbursements

Rev. W. M. Counts, donation -----	\$ 3.00
Widows and Orphans Home -----	1.81
Rev. M. S. Young, Moderator -----	20.00
Rev. J. O. Dixon, 1st Vice Moderator -----	7.00
Rev. E. V. Wilson, 2nd Vice Moderator -----	4.00
S. E. Johnson, Secretary -----	20.00
Incidentals to Secretary's office -----	6.30

Mrs. Ethel Rivers, Cor. Secretary	6.00
Mrs. Addie Brent, Treasurer	5.00
Mrs. B. L. Hicks, Reporter	1.00
Prof. M. N. M. Bennett, Music Director	6.00
Mrs. F. D. Hodrick Young, Organist	5.00
Acme Print Shop, balance on Minutes	35.50
Acme Print Shop, for programs and badges	13.25
Finance Committee	8.00
Rev. J. P. Pritchett	7.00
John the Baptist Church	8.00
L. Mason, Sexton	2.00
Rev. M. S. Young, 11:00 A. M.	1.27
Rev. J. P. Pritchett, 11:00 A. M.	1.28
Trustees for Education	335.92
Rev. L. Hawthorne, donation	2.05
Rev. C. A. White, donation	2.05
Mrs. Ethel Rivers, incidentals	1.00
Rev. H. Joseph, District Missionary	5.00
Rev. M. S. Young, Expenses Nat'l Bapt. Conv.	43.00
Representation to National Convention	25.00
Total	<u>\$574.43</u>

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Brought forward	\$119.83
Received from Association	335.92
Bequest of Dr. M. S. G. Abbott	200.00
Total	<u>\$655.75</u>

## Disbursement

To Secretary's office	\$ 10.00
City Water Works	3.00
Ben Herring, carpenter	53.00
W. R. Taylor Co. for material	174.25
Total	<u>\$240.25</u>



# PROCEEDINGS

Of The

## Women's District Convention

Held With

JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, PENSACOLA, FLA.

JUNE 10, 11, 12, 13—1937

Rev. J. P. Pritchett, Pastor

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### OFFICERS

President—Sister V. Prather

First Vice-president—Sister C. Cary

Second Vice-president—Sister J. West

Recording Secretary—Sister B. L. Hicks

Corresponding Secretary—Sister J. Salter

Treasurer—Sister E. R. Waters

Pianist—Sister M. Crenshaw

Music Directress—Sister E. Rivers

Reporter—Sister C. B. Dixon

Mrs. Lelia Mitchell, Directress Red Circle Girls

Missionaries: Mrs. C. White, Mrs. H. Gresham, Mrs. R. Riggs, Mrs. V. S. Cooper

## THURSDAY MORNING 10:00 O'CLOCK

The delegation formed a procession which marched into the spacious building led by Elizabeth Johnson from the Junior Circle of Greater Mt. Zion Baptist church, Pensacola, Fla. Scripture was read by Mrs. Joanna Nicholson, Matt. 4:1-7. Prayer by Sister M. McWhorter; opening remarks by the President. A welcome song in honor of the President was led by Mrs. Acklin. Reading and adopting the program. Committees were then appointed as follows:

Finance, Chairlady—Mrs. V. S. Cooper  
 Letter Reading, Chairlady—Mrs. L. Jones  
 Enrollment, Chairlady—Mrs. K. R. Jackson  
 Temperance, Chairlady—Mrs. A. Vinson  
 Obituary, Chairlady—Mrs. E. Rivers  
 Education, Chairlady—Mrs. K. E. Sunday  
 Constitution—Mrs. Louise Tolbert  
 New Bodies, Chairlady—Mrs. Marie Young  
 Resolutions, Chairman, Rev. D. W. Webb  
 Recommendations, Chairman—Rev. J. A. Clausell  
 Disbursements, Chairlady—Mrs. E. Alexander  
 Badges—Mrs. L. Mitchell      Floral Com.—Mrs. Walker

Solo—Miss Louise Thomas. Discussion: Lifting the Banner for Christ. Mrs. Acklin discussed, Sacrifice; Mrs. K. R. Jackson, Work; Mrs. V. S. Cooper, Prayer. Each of the speakers was at her best and the sisters had a greater determination to go forward and do greater things for Kingdom building. Selection—"Lift Him up."

## ENROLLMENT OF CHURCHES

Mt. Olive, Pensacola	\$13.00
Union, Pensacola	7.00
Mt. Zion, Pensacola	5.00
Pilgrim Lodge, Century	5.00



New Macedonia, Pace	5.00
John the Baptist, Pensacola	5.00
Mt. Bethel, Bagdad	5.00
Trinity, Pensacola	5.00
Pilgrim, Pensacola	5.00
Sixth Avenue, Pensacola	6.00
St. Luke, Century	5.00
Antioch, Pensacola	5.00
Total	\$71.00

Public collection \$2.05; enrollment \$16.25.

V. PRATHER, President

B. L. HICKS, Secretary

Thursday 2:30 P. M.

Reassemble. The afternoon session was called to order by the President. Devotional services were conducted by messengers from Antioch, Pensacola and Mt. Pilgrim, Milton. Remarks by Mrs. C Cary, 1st Vice President. Solo—Mrs. McWhorter; Paper—Mrs. J. Salter—What do We expect of the Juniors? Solo—Mrs. Walker of Goulding. A talk by Rev. Pritchett on Peace. The meaning of Peace. Greek word meaning to bind. Texts: Isaiah 48:22; Rom. 3:15-17; Psalm 120:1-7; Numbers 6:2-6.

2. Characteristics of Peace: Isaiah 48:18. Our hearts rejoiced as Rev. Pritchett talked to us about "Peace" Prayer by Rev. E. V. Wilson. Selection, O Lord, Search my heart. The following officers rendered their reports:

Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Missionaries: Mrs. H. Gresham \$2.25; Mrs. C. White .70; Mrs. C. Riggs 2.70; Mrs. V. S. Cooper 1.00. Total \$6.65. Our Moderator presided while the President delivered her message and also during election. The fol-

Following were elected:

President—Sister V. Prather  
 First Vice-president—Sister C. Cary  
 Second Vice-president—Sister J. West  
 Recording Secretary—Sister B. L. Hicks  
 Corresponding Secretary—Sister J. Salter  
 Treasurer—Sister E. R. Waters  
 Pianist—Sister M. Crenshaw  
 Music Directress—Sister E. Rivers  
 Reporter—Sister C. B. Dixon  
 Mrs. Lelia Mitchell, Directress Red Circle Girls

Missionaries: Mrs. C. White, Mrs. H. Gresham, Mrs. R. Riggs, Mrs. V. S. Cooper

The President was presented by Mrs. Acklin. Her address was well delivered which brought to us some ideas of the State and National Conventions. It was also moved and seconded that the recommendations be given to the Committee. Carried. The same Missionaries were elected. Collection 27c. The Junior group rendered a very spicy program at 5:30 o'clock, Mrs. L. Mitchell, Directress.

#### Thursday Night 8:00 O'Clock

Called to order by the President. Prayer by Sister N. Davis. Selection—Choir. Welcome address by Mrs. Sadie Evans. Response—Mrs. J. A. Clausell.

Proverbs 27 was read by Rev. Ellerby and prayer by Rev. Cotton. Selection—My Soul be on Thy Guard. Sermon by Rev. J. O. Dixon—Text: A cup of blessings for a cup of woe. "The Unclouded Day" was sung by Rev. J. A. Clausell. Collection \$1.69. Receipts for the day: Letters \$71.00; public 4.01; Enrollment 16.25; Missionaries 6.65. Total \$97.91.

#### Friday Morning 8:00 O'Clock

Called to order by the 1st Vice President, Mrs. C. Cary.



Devotions conducted by Sisters N. Davis, J. West, A. Vinson. Prayer by Mrs. J. West. 137th division of the Psalms was read. Duet by Lula Mae Young and Carrie Mae Craig. Committees reports were received. It was motioned and seconded that the President would represent us in the National Baptist Convention in September out in California. Carried. A special committee was appointed to advise plans and raise money for the trip: Mesdames V. S. Cooper, Acklin, E. Waters, L. Mitchell, C. Cary, M. Flowers, J. O. Dixon

The social committee came forward and the game of "Threading the Needle" was played. Light refreshments were served. Committee: Mesdames K. E. Sunday, V. S. Cooper, C. B. Dixon. Collection \$1.11.

#### Saturday Morning 8:00 O'Clock

Called to order by the 2nd Vice-president, Mrs. Jessie West. Devotions conducted by Sisters Page and Gresham. Selection—I Want to go Though. Scripture, 23rd Psalms was read. Prayer by Sister Gresham. Opening remarks by Sister J. West. The journal of the previous session was read and adopted. The sum of 80 cents reported from the floral committee.

The first Quarterly meeting will be held at New Macedonia church, Florida Friday, August 27, 1937, Rev. Wm. Young, pastor, on account of the delegates leaving the next week for California.

December, Friday before the 4th Sunday, Antioch, Rev. Williams, pastor.

March, Mt. Pilgrim, Milton, Rev. Richardson, pastor

Memorial services were conducted by the Committee.

Amount raised \$103.60; disbursements \$100.35; balance on hand \$3.25.

V. PRATHER, President

B. L. HICKS, Secretary

## ENROLLMENT

Each One Paying 25c

Mrs. Alberta Frazier	Rev. H. Joseph
Mrs. Lelia Lyons	Rev. E. V. Wilson
Mrs. L. A. Brown	Rev. Wm. Young
Mrs. Farrow	Mrs. Addie Brent
Mrs. E. Farrow	Rev. S. A. Miles
Mrs. W. M. Martin	Mrs. L. B. Walker
Mrs. Irene Walker	Mrs. P. E. Patterson
Mrs. J. Salter	Rev. S. L. Legett
Mrs. H. R. Gresham	Mrs. F. D. Hodrick Young
Mrs. M. Crenshaw	Mrs. M. P. Watson
Mrs. C. Jones	Rev. G. W. Lovett
Mrs. V. Prather	Mrs. Katie Sunday
Mrs. Minnie Acklin	Mrs. A. Vinson
Mrs. Ellen Waters	Mrs. Emma Snells
Mrs. J. McCaskill	Mrs. L. J. Jones
Mrs. Lillie Donald	Mrs. Julia Salter
Mrs. M. McWhorter	Mrs. Marie Young
Mrs. Jessie West	Mrs. C. White
Mrs. Bessie Marshall	Mrs. Louise Tolbert
Rev. J. O. Dixon	Rev. C. A. White
Mrs. C. F. Dixon	Mrs. Sarah Sawyer
Mrs. C. Cary	Mrs. Ethel Rivers
Mrs. R. L. Bradford	Mrs. M. I. Smith
Mrs. Patsy Echoe	Mrs. S. J. Baker
Mrs. V. S. Cooper	Mrs. J. A. Nickerson
Miss B. L. Hicks	Mrs. Nellie Jones
Rev. J. W. Williams	Mrs. C. Page
Mrs. N. Davis	Mrs. Sallie M. Rose
Rev. L. Hawthorne	Mrs. Lucile Ralph
Mrs. Bessie Johnson	Mrs. Mary Nickson
Rev. J. A. Clausell	Mrs. K. R. Jackson
Mrs. Carrie Alexander	Mrs. H. L. McNair
Rev. C. A. Raulston	Mrs. L. Mitchell
Rev. J. P. Pritchett	Mrs. Sallie M. Ross
Mrs. Maggie Flowers	Mrs. Alberta Duncan
Rev. M. S. Young	
Number paying 70. Total amount \$17.50	

## DISBURSEMENTS

For education ----- \$ 36.50



For programs	3.00
President's donation	8.00
1st Vice President, C. Cary	1.50
2nd Vice President, J. West	1.50
Recording Secretary	10.00
Recording Secretary's expenses	.25
Corresponding Secretary	2.40
Minutes	10.00
Rep. to State Convention	10.00
Rep. to National Convention	
To Pianist	1.50
To Directress	1.50
To Sexton	1.00
Home Mission	
To Reporter	1.00
To Missionaries	4.00
Foreign Mission	2.00
To Treasurer	5.00
To Committee	1.50
Treasurer's Receipt book	.20

Total \$100.35

Amount raised \$103.60  
Amount disbursed 100.35

Balance in Treasurer \$ 3.25

Committee: Sisters N. Davis, C. Alexander, E. R. Waters, M. Acklin, V. S. Cooper, J. Salter

The Directress donation from the Red Circle Girls was \$6.00.

### PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that all Missionary Circles continue to represent with \$2.00 for the year of 1937-38.

I further recommend that the Quarterly meetings will finish all business in one day's session, and that all Gleaners will glean on the Sunday before the meeting.

Yours in His service,

MRS. V. PRATHER

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## REPORT OF THE REPORTER

Pensacola, Fla., June 10, 1937

The Women's District Convention:-In view of the fact that I am reporter of this Convention and every concern should grow, and the general public is having an awakening in public advertising, and since it pays to advertise, I am sincere in wanting our district meeting more widely advertised.

We have for many years reported our doings to the Colored Citizen of this city and the editor has been very courteous and obliging in doing this; he has also sent reporters to get the news. This means of contact with our own local editor should be continued on a higher scale, but I feel that we should widen our scope by putting our work before the state and nation, since we are a part of both state and national work.

Therefore, I am asking your permission to spread our activities on the pages of the Florida Sentinel, and the Pittsburgh Courier. There must be some finance made available for such, therefore, I am asking you to grant this privilege to whoever is elected to office. Thanking you for the honor in serving in this position.

Respectfully yours,

(Mrs.) C. F. Dixon, Reporter



## CONSTITUTION

### Article I—Name

This Association shall be known by the name of the First West Florida Missionary Baptist Association.

### Article II—Its Object

Section 1. Its object shall be to establish union among our churches upon proper principles, embracing discipline, government and organization. To encourage our brethren by all Christian means to a spirit of education, industry, self-reliance and especially spiritual advancement, and to sustain an institution of learning.

Section 2. To do all in our power to comply with the Commission of Christ to spread the gospel as far as our means will permit, here and in foreign land.

Section 3. The Association shall convene on Thursday and adjourn on Saturday night, ad. lib.

### Article III—Officers

Section 1. The Officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and one or more Missionaries, Organist, Choirister, and Reporter.

Section 2. The duties of the Officers are such as are assigned to any officer of any deliberate body.

Section 3. The Missionaries shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board, which shall contract with them for their services. They shall report quarterly to the Board.

### Article IV—Executive Board

There shall be an Executive Board of thirteen members, the Officers of the Association and seven elected by the Association, including all pastors of the District as associate members.

### Article V—Its Duties

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to transact the business of the Association in its absence.

Section 2. The Board shall meet one day prior to the Annual Session to prepare its Annual Report.

### Article VI—The Trustee Board

This Association shall have a Trustee Board, consist-

ing of nine (9), and one Financial Agent, three (3) Trustees of whom shall be elected at each Annual session of the Association, said Board to have control of the educational work of the District. This Board shall also be assisted by an Extension Board of twenty-five members, elected by the Association as follows:—nine (9) for one year, eight (8) for two years, and eight (8) for three years. Each officer and each member of the Board are assessed \$5.00 annually.

### Article VII—Its Duties

Section 1. This Board shall elect all teachers, pay them off, and see after the indebtedness of the school.

Section 2. All moneys received from any source shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the Board, and paid out by authority of the Board.

Section 3. The duty of the Financial Agent shall be to travel in the interest of the West Florida Baptist Academy, and collect funds, and report same to the Trustee Board. This Agent shall be elected by the Trustee Board.

### Article VIII—Membership

Section 1. Any church wishing to represent in this Association may do so by letter or messenger.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to two (2) messengers to every 10 to 50 members, and one additional messenger to every fraction of fifty.

Section 3. Each church shall pay 25 cents per member for representation.

Section 4. Each messenger shall pay as annual enrollment fee the sum of \$1.00.

Section 5. Any regular Orthodox Baptist church may become a member of this Association by complying with the Constitution.

Section 6. Any member of a Missionary Baptist church in good and regular standing may become an Annual member by payment of \$1.00, and life membership by payment of \$5.00.

### Article IX

Section 1. This Association shall not interfere with the internal rights of the churches.

Section 2. The following sermons to be preached annually:—Introductory, Doctrinal, Educational, Temperance, Missionary, Sociological, and Evangelical.



Section 3. Friday and Saturday embracing each Fifth Sunday, and including the Fifth Sunday, shall be known as Ministers and Deacons' Union.

Section 4. The said Union to meet at places as may be voted on by those present during the sessions of the Union.

Section 5. The object of the Union shall be to raise finances and more systematically arrange the District financially, and keep in closer touch with each other as Christian workers.

### Article X

Any amendment to the Constitution must be presented in writing on the first day of the session.

### BY-LAWS

Article 1. This Association shall have one or more Missionaries, who shall visit all churches belonging to the Association. He shall make an annual report to the Association, which report shall embrace all the churches visited by him during the year, and the amount collected by him from each church, the general standing and condition of the churches, their progress spiritually, also their value. His report shall embrace all matters of information connected with the churches, and each pastor of the different churches shall receive the Missionaries who are appointed with due courtesy, and recommend them to his members and congregation.

Article 2. This Association shall not recognize, nor receive any church having as members any person excluded from any other church.

Article 3. Any minister connected with a church of this Association, and he be known to preach any doctrine diametrically inconsistent with its laws, shall be silenced, or dealt with for trespass.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Article 2. We believe the Old and New Testaments to be the revealed Mind and Will of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of election, that

God chose His people in Christ, before the world began.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 5. We believe in man's incapacity of his own free will and accord to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature.

Article 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Article 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, glorified and justified.

Article 8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are only gospel ordinances; that immersion is the mode of baptism, and that believers are the only subjects.

Article 9. We believe that only the regularly baptized members in good standing have a right to the Lord's Table.

Article 10. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead, and general judgment, and that the joys of the Righteous and the punishment of the wicked, shall be everlasting.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

### Article—I

This Convention shall be known as the Woman's Home Foreign and Educational District Convention, Auxiliary to the First West Florida Baptist Association.

### Article II—Object

The object of this Convention shall be to promote the cause of Christ by developing in the women of our churches a knowledge of His Word, and a desire to do His Will especially in striving to give the gospel to the destitute in our own and other lands, and to work for the promotion of the West Florida Baptist College, Pensacola, Fla.

### Article III—Membership

All messengers sent up from their various Circles will enroll with 25 cents, and any woman in good and regular standing with her church may become an annual member by paying 25c, and will be entitled to all privileges except voting and holding office. Men who are not sent up as delegates may become annual members by paying 25 cents.



## Article IV—Officers

The Officers of this Convention shall be President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Pianist, Missionaries.

## Article V—Executive Board

The Executive Board shall be three from each Society represented as far as practicable. They shall have power to carry out the object of the Convention, and not to fill vacancies, and in general, do every thing necessary to secure the full organization of the women of this District, provided, always they conform to this Constitution. The Executive Board shall consist of all members from each Society, including Officers. Five shall constitute a quorum.

## Article VI

Each Circle will represent with not less than \$5.00 and be entitled to two delegates beside the Pastor, and \$1.00 for each additional delegate.

## Article VII

Each local Missionary shall see to it and be responsible for the organization of a Junior Circle in connection with its church.

## Article VIII

The Minutes of the Women's District Convention shall be printed at the expense of the Convention, and each local Society shall be provided with a sufficient number.

## Article IX

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual meeting by a two-third vote.

## Article X

The work of the local Missionary shall be under the supervision of the Women's Convention, and it shall be the duty of the local Missionaries to make an annual report to this body at the meeting in June, at which time they will report all monies raised and expended during the year. All money over expenses to be turned over to the body by the Missionaries.

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# ASSOCIATION TABLE

CHURCH	LOCATION	PASTOR	CLERK	Asso'n Expense	Education	Total
Mt. Olive	Pensacola	J. A. Clausell	R. L. Saunders	10.50	10.50	21.00
Pilgrim Lodge	Century	G. W. Lovett	W. Carstafney	3.00	3.00	6.00
Union Baptist	Pensacola	J. O. Dixon	S. M. Reeves	10.50	10.50	21.00
Macedonia	Pensacola	J. S. Johnson	Mrs. N. Buggs	1.50	1.50	3.00
New Macedonia	Pace	Wm. Young	Mrs. Lula Williams	2.00	2.00	4.00
St. John	Pensacola	A. P. Lee	E. W. Jones	2.50	2.50	5.00
Sunlight	Pensacola	E. Junior	D. W. McMillan	2.50	2.50	5.00
St. Luke	Cantonment	E. V. Wilson	Mrs. L. C. Ransom	2.50	2.50	5.00
White Lily	Barth	M. S. Young	Robert Tyson	2.50	2.50	5.00
St. Luke	Century	S. A. Miles	W. A. Crumm	2.50	2.50	5.00
Antioch	Pensacola	J. W. Williams	Edward Green	2.00	2.00	4.00
Union Baptist	Molino	Wm. Young	Mrs. M. M. Blake	2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Pilgrim	Milton	E. H. Richards	Mrs. J. E. Gaines	2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Zion	Pensacola	(Without Pastor)	S. E. Johnson	6.00	6.00	12.00
Morning Star	Pensacola	S. L. Leggett	J. R. Byrd	1.50	1.50	3.00
New Life	Pine Barren	A. D. Darden	Mrs. Daisy Pierce	2.50	2.50	5.00
Pine Level	McDavid	A. D. Darden	Mrs. B. Gandy	2.50	2.50	5.00
Union	Oakfield	R. E. Cotton	Jessie Norris	1.75	1.75	3.50
John the Baptist	Pensacola	J. P. Pritchett	R. P. F. Ellis	5.00	5.00	10.00
Spring Hill	Pensacola	H. Joseph	sadora Bell	2.50	2.50	5.00
Pleasant Hill	Milton	H. H. Stokes	R. W. Williams	2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Bethel	Bagdad	M. S. Young	Rance Robinson	3.00	3.00	6.00
Sixth Ave.	Pensacola	C. A. Raulston	John Mincey	5.00	5.00	10.00
Emanuel	Pensacola	C. A. White	Charley Taylor	2.50	2.50	5.00
Trinity	Pensacola	D. W. Webb	Chas. Robinson	5.00	5.00	10.00
St. John Divine	Pensacola	F. A. Ellerby		2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Gilead	Cantonment	J. W. McCant	Annie Edler	1.50	1.50	3.00
Pilgrim	Pensacola	C. A. White	L. Ralph	1.50	1.50	3.00
St. James	Olive	Wm. Young	Mrs. Lillie Walker	2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Pilgrim	Bell Head	S. Carter	Clarence Johnson	2.50	2.50	5.00
Spring Hill	McKinnonville	A. D. Darden	C. Mitchell	2.50	2.50	5.00
Mt. Gilead	Roberts	J. A. McCants				
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